

School Transportation Vehicle (School Bus) Pre-Trip and Post-Trip Requirements (STU 9)

2024-2026

ALL ITEMS ON THIS CHECKLIST ARE MANDATORY. THE USE OF THIS SPECIFIC FORM IS NOT MANDATORY.

Per 1 CCR 301-26,10.2 "The pre-trip and post-trip inspection requirements for school transportation vehicles, other than small capacity vehicles, shall include, at a minimum, all items listed on the CDE School Transportation Vehicle (School Bus) Pre-Trip and Post-Trip Requirements (STU-9) Form."

** Items highlighted in gray are not required for electric vehicles**			
Front of Vehicle	Side of Vehicle	In Cab	Passenger Items
Light Lens Condition	Light Lens Condition	Safe Start	Steps
Engine Compartment	Reflectors	ABS	Handrail
Oil Level	Driver/Fuel Area	Temperature Gauge	Step Light
Coolant Level	Door	Oil Pressure Gauge	Lift
Power Steering Fluid	Mirror	Voltmeter Gauge	Seating Secured
Water Pump	Fuel Tank	Air Gauge	
Belt or Gear	Fuel Leaks	Left Turn Signal	Post-Trip
Alternator	Fuel Cap	Right Turn Signal	Student Check
Belt or Gear	Under Vehicle	Hazard Lights	Walk Around
Air Compressor	Drive Shaft	Headlights	Articles left on the Bus
Belt or Gear	Exhaust System	High Beams	Open windows/doors
Leaks	Frame	Horn	Damage Vandalism
Hoses	Suspension	Heater(s)	Mechanical Problems
Steering	Springs	Defroster	Operational Problems
Box	Spring Mount(s)	Mirrors	•
Hoses	Shock(s)	Windshield	
Pitman Arm	U-Bolts	Wipers	
Drag Link	Air Bag	Washers	
Front/Rear Brakes	Air Bag Mount	Parking Brake	
Slack Adjustor	Wheels	Service Brake	
Brake Chamber	Rim	Dome Lights	
Brake Hose or Line	Lug Nuts	Emergency Door Alarm	
Drum or Disk	Axle Hub Oil Seal	Emergency Window Alarm	
Linings or Pads	Spacers	Student Mirror	
Tires	Rear of Vehicle	Communications	
Inflation	Light Lens Condition		
Condition	Reflectors	Emergency Equipment	
Depth	Splash Guard	Emergency Kit	
Exterior Lights	Emergency Door	Body Fluid Kit	
Clearance	Air Brake Check	Seat Belt Cutter	
Hazard	*1 Compressor	Safety Belt	
Turn Signals	*2 System Leaks	Fire Extinguisher	
Overhead Amber	*3 Low Air Warning	Electrical Fuses	
Overhead Red	*4 Valve Set or	Triangles	
	Hydraulic Brake	-	
Stop Arm			* If No Air Brakes
(including operation)			Line Out
Brake			
Tail			



To determine what constitutes out-ofservice criteria for each item on this form, refer to the CDE Annual Inspection Guide, which is located on the CDE Transportation website.

